

American Time Use Survey Activity Lexicon 2012

This document is the activity classification scheme (including examples) used to code activities collected during the American Time Use Survey into time-use categories.

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples

01 Personal Care

01 Sleeping

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sleeping
falling asleep
dozing off
napping
getting up

waking up
dreaming
cat napping
getting some shut-eye
dozing

02 Sleeplessness

insomnia
tossing and turning

lying awake
counting sheep

99 Sleeping, n.e.c.*

02 Grooming

01 Washing, dressing and grooming oneself

bathing/showering
brushing/flossing teeth
grooming
blow-drying hair
brushing hair
putting on makeup
shaving
getting dressed/undressed
changing clothes
laying clothes out
putting on hand cream
perming own hair
doing own hair
running bath
doing nails
putting on nail polish
using the bathroom

washing face
washing hands
putting in contact lenses
shaving legs
cleaning contact lenses
washing hair
filing nails
combing hair
gargling mouthwash
putting on shoes
removing curlers
putting on night cream
cutting own hair
washing feet
cleaning ears
brushing lint off clothing
putting on pajamas

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99 Grooming, n.e.c.*

mom braided my hair	friend rubbed suntan lotion on me
getting a haircut from spouse/friend (unpaid)	

03 Health-related Self Care

01 Health-related self care

doing childbirth exercises	meditating (not religious)
dressing a wound	taking vitamins
giving oneself a shot	resting because of injury
taking insulin	taking cough drops
putting ice on injury	bandaging ankle
gargling for sore throat	giving oneself an injection
resting because of illness	testing blood sugar level
taking medicine	applying ointment
doing stress management exercises	changing oxygen
exercising or therapy for medical reasons	

99 Self care, n.e.c.*

feeling sick

04 Personal Activities

01 Personal/Private activities

having sex	private activity, unspecified
making out	personal activity, unspecified
cuddling partner in bed	spouse gave me a massage
necking	

99 Personal activities, n.e.c.*

05 Personal Care Emergencies

01 Personal emergencies

being involved in a personal accident	stanching blood flow
losing consciousness	waiting for ambulance
being involved in an accident requiring emergency care	

99 Personal care emergencies, n.e.c.*

99 Personal Care, n.e.c.*

99 Personal care, n.e.c.*

02 Household Activities

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01 Housework

01 Interior cleaning

tidying up	picking up clothes
recycling/sorting newspapers for recycling	straightening up the house
cleaning windows/washing walls	picking up the house/cleaning the house
vacuuming/sweeping floors/sweeping	washing floor
making the bed/changing sheets	cleaning out drawers
cleaning bathrooms/cleaning bedroom	emptying ashtray
cleaning carpets/shampooing carpet	cleaning bathtub/cleaning toilet
polishing furniture/dusting	cleaning out closet
emptying trash cans/taking out the trash	scrubbing
cleaning cupboards	cleaning floors/mopping floors
picking up toys	

02 Laundry

putting laundry in washer/dryer	bringing in washing/laundry
hanging clothes on clothesline	putting towels in bathroom
sorting laundry/folding clean laundry	hand washing clothing
treating stains/spot treating clothes	taking clothes off the line
ironing	taking clothes out of washer
putting clean laundry away	washing curtains
putting out clean towels	folding clothes/hanging clothes
removing lint from dryer	adding fabric softener
doing laundry/checking wash	

03 Sewing, repairing, & maintaining textiles

sewing on buttons/hemming garmets	polishing shoes
sewing a new dress/clothing	repairing/caring for clothes/hats/shoes/curtains
sewing curtains/other hh items	cleaning shoes/sneakers
knitting/crocheting blankets	knitting/crocheting sweaters, clothing
altering clothing/sewing hem	crocheting/crocheting quilt

04 Storing interior hh items, inc. food

putting away the groceries/putting shopping away	boxing things up for storage
storing food/storing the groceries	putting away decorations/Christmas decorations/holiday items

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moving stuff to attic/basement

99 Housework, n.e.c.*

02 Food & Drink Prep., Presentation, & Clean-up

01 Food and drink preparation

baking/cooking/broiling/boiling

cooking dinner

defrosting

peeling potatoes

packing food/lunches/picnics

preparing salad

making baby food

baking a cake/baking biscuits

mixing/heating up baby formula

chopping/slicing vegetables

mixing drinks

putting roast in oven

making coffee/tea

smoking fish

heating food up/cooking meals

dehydrating food/drying food

preparing food for company/guests

thawing frozen food

canning food/preserving food

putting icing on cake

preparing food for other hh members

boiling water

getting a drink/pouring water in glass

butchering/carving/salting meat

brewing beer or wine

making a gingerbread house

breast-pumping

making jam/bottling fruit

baking Christmas cookies

02 Food presentation

serving a meal/serving hors d'oeuvres

garnishing food

setting the table

putting out condiments

polishing silver

passing out drinks

filling salt/pepper/sugar

03 Kitchen and food clean-up

cleaning up after a meal/clearing the table

cleaning oven/stove/barbecue grill

loading the dishwasher/emptying dishwasher

cleaning high chair

washing/drying dishes

cleaning up plates and food

putting leftovers away

wiping table

cleaning up the kitchen only

rinsing dishes/washing pots and pans

cleaning kitchen cupboard

putting dishes away

cleaning freezer/defrosting freezer

throwing away leftovers

cleaning refrigerator

mopping the kitchen floor

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		cleaning microwave oven	
		99 Food & drink prep, presentation, & clean-up, n.e.c.*	
	03 Interior Maintenance, Repair, & Decoration		
		01 Interior arrangement, decoration, & repairs	
		decorating	fumigating house
		moving/rearranging furniture	measuring windows for curtains
		hanging pictures	making plumbing improvements
		hanging curtains/wallpaper	stripping paint
		painting	stripping wallpaper
		laying linoleum/tile/wood floors	installing carpet
		refitting kitchen/bathroom	hanging blinds/shades
		remodeling interior of house	taking down towel bars
		fixing leaks	decorating the Christmas tree
		plastering	carving jack-o-lanterns
		putting up shelves	setting up a manger (inside)
		replacing fuses	hanging Christmas stockings
		changing light bulbs	putting up Christmas decorations (inside)
		putting up Christmas lights (inside)	setting up menorah candles (inside)
		setting mousetraps	
		02 Building and repairing furniture	
		making furniture	making cabinets
		refinishing furniture	stripping furniture
		reupholstering furniture	sanding wood furniture
		refinishing wood furniture	staining wood furniture
		repairs to furniture	changing cabinet hardware
		painting furniture	assembling furniture
		03 Heating and cooling	
		chopping wood	collecting wood
		lighting fireplace	stacking firewood
		bringing in wood/kindling	setting the fire
		shoveling coal	installing wood burning stove
		filling heater with fuel	installing fireplace
		installing window AC unit	opening/closing windows

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changing furnace filter

99 Interior maintenance, repair, & decoration, n.e.c.*

04 Exterior Maintenance, Repair, & Decoration

01 Exterior cleaning

sweeping deck/patio/porch

cleaning shed

sweeping steps

sweeping garage

shoveling snow

cleaning chimney

removing ice from walkways

washing outside windows

putting away yard equipment

picking up trash that blew into yard

putting away bicycles

sweeping sidewalk

cleaning gutters

putting away outside toys

cleaning garage

02 Exterior repair, improvements, & decoration

painting/staining porch/deck

painting house exterior

fixing the roof

fixing mailbox

fixing broken windows

staining house exterior

replacing screens

fixing weatherboards

building a deck

fixing bird feeder

building a garage/carport

building a fence

building a shed

painting or staining fence

putting new roof on house

putting new roof on garage

adding another room to house

setting up garden furniture

screening in a porch

decorating outside for holidays

installing a gate or fence

hanging flags

paving or blacktopping

hanging address numbers

making structural additions

working on boat lift

hanging outdoor lights

repairing boat dock

decorating outside for parties

hanging up wind chimes

putting up outdoor holiday decorations

repairing wind chimes

putting up Christmas lights (outside)

putting up Christmas decorations (outside)

99 Exterior maintenance, repair & decoration, n.e.c.*

05 Lawn, Garden, and Houseplants

01 Lawn, garden, and houseplant care

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		applying pesticides spraying for bugs gardening doing yard work trimming branches/hedges pruning shrubs/flowers picking up branches, twigs raking leaves blowing leaves planting mulching watering houseplants weeding cutting the grass mowing the lawn edging adding chemicals to lawn fertilizing the lawn spreading mulch watering lawn/garden seeding planting fruit and vegetables	picking fruit and vegetables gathering nuts collecting eggs, honey planting tomatoes digging in the vegetable garden laying paving stones fertilizing garden planting beans planting fruit tree pruning tree putting snail killer around vegetables sowing flower or vegetable seeds spraying fruit trees spraying rose bushes tying up tomatoes putting pesticides on lawn turning sprinkler on or off watering outdoor plants hunting mushrooms weeding vegetable garden weeding flower garden
	02 Ponds, pools, and hot tubs	adding chemicals to pool chlorinating the pool cleaning the pond, pool, hot tub putting in a pond, pool, hot tub repairing pond, pool, hot tub winterizing pool	draining pool filling the pool adding chemicals to hot tub testing ph in water turning on/off the hot tub
	99 Lawn and garden, n.e.c.*		
06 Animals and Pets			
	01 Care for animals and pets (not veterinary care)		
		caring for household pets	bathing dog

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		cleaning up after pets watching kittens/puppies being born feeding/watering pets petting animals clipping cat's claws adopting a pet visiting an animal shelter to select pet clipping dog's nails cleaning the litter box providing medical care to pets burying animals feeding ducks feeding the dog filling the bird feeder feeding horses	changing dog's water feeding rabbit feeding birds grooming pets feeding fish grooming horse feeding guinea pig brushing dog tending a wounded bird feeding a stray feeding a raccoon caring for an orphaned animal nursing a sick animal feeding squirrels feeding cat
	02 Walking / exercising / playing with animals	exercising pets taking pets for a walk walking the dog	playing with animals playing with the dog
	99 Pet and animal care, n.e.c.*		
07 Vehicles			
	01 Vehicle repair and maintenance (by self)	changing oil adding oil putting air in tires charging battery filling radiator changing spark plugs washing/waxing cars or other vehicles replacing vehicle headlights putting protective cover on vehicle scraping ice/snow off vehicle checking fluids	changing wheel on motorcycle putting new chain on bicycle filling brake fluid checking battery restoring car checking tire pressure cleaning boat fixing bike fixing motorcycle cleaning/vacuuming vehicles replacing vehicle taillights

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		changing/rotating tires	installing car CD player
		replacing brakes	putting on registration stickers
		adding equipment to vehicles	putting car/vehicle in garage
		installing car stereo/speakers	checking tires
		putting on license plates/tags	assembling bicycle
		overhauling engine	rebuilding engine
		doing a ring job	covering boat
		doing a valve job	installing a trailer hitch
		tuning up vehicles	hooking up trailer to car/truck
		cleaning camper/RV	winterizing boat
		checking to make sure car was locked	
		99 Vehicles, n.e.c.*	
	08 Appliances, Tools, and Toys		
		01 Appliance, tool, and toy set-up, repair, & maintenance (by self)	
		fixing household camera	installing a printer
		setting up or fixing computer	installing a scanner
		changing batteries in appliances	installing a modem
		setting/winding clocks	installing a fax machine
		repairing toys	connecting washing machine/dryer
		installing appliances	maintaining tools and equipment
		repairing appliances	charging batteries
		hooking up stereo, VCR	loading software on computer
		cleaning tools and equipment	waxing skis
		repairing tools & equipment	restringing tennis racket
		sharpening knives/other tools	repairing sporting equipment
		cleaning/oiling lawnmowers	setting up doll house
		setting up toy train track	installing heating or A/C equipment
		hooking up satellite dish	
		99 Appliances and tools, n.e.c.*	
	09 Household Management		
		01 Financial management	
		paying the rent/mortgage/bills	writing checks
		using computer to pay bills	filing receipts

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> making a budget/using computer to keep budget balancing the checkbook/checking receipts against bank statements checking/trading/buying/selling stocks researching investments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> filling out tax forms giving money to hh child or hh adult borrowing/lending money (not banking) looking at bills
		02 Household & personal organization and planning	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> making shopping lists assigning chores getting organized for work (for self) organizing/planning hh parties or hh events planning vacation/household trip planning household meals/menu looking for misplaced items borrowing/lending household items carrying in groceries sorting/doing/filling out paperwork sorting books/sorting household items filling a Christmas stocking/Easter basket opening presents/gifts (alone) Loading/unloading the car looking at store purchases making reservations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> unpacking/packing recreational vehicle for trip organizing file cabinet making photocopies (for self or hh) unloading groceries/shopping items putting pictures in albums labeling videos organizing boxes in garage unpacking/packing car for trip packing boxes for household move or trip unwrapping/opening packages packing/unpacking bags or suitcase (for self) organizing school stuff (for self) wrapping presents dropping off/picking up household items making dinner reservations
		03 HH & personal mail & messages (except e-mail)	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> mailing letters, payments checking phone messages sending reg./cert. packages/mail/express mail bringing in newspaper/mail writing letters/cards (personal or hh) looking at/checking/sorting mail checking to see if mail came/getting mail in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> collecting mail/reading mail writing Valentines/Christmas cards mailing/picking up letters or packages throwing away junk mail signing for certified mail addressing holiday cards
		04 HH & personal e-mail and messages	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> reading/sending e-mail (personal or hh) instant messaging (personal) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> cleaning out e-mail inbox (personal or hh) reading/sending e-mail (unspecified)

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		checking e-mail (personal or hh)	
	05 Home security	installing/maintaining smoke detectors	maintaining alarms/security systems
		checking/changing locks	breaking into home if locked out
		setting security alarm/installing alarms	closing house up
		locking doors, windows/turning out the lights	closing the blinds/curtains
		breaking into a locked house	locking up the house/locking up home
		bolting doors/windows	
	99 Household management, n.e.c.*		
99 Household Activities, n.e.c.*			
	99 Household activities, n.e.c.*		
		household emergency	putting out a kitchen fire
		household accident	collecting water from burst pipe
03 Caring For & Helping Household Members			
01 Caring For & Helping HH Children			
	01 Physical care for hh children		
		dressing/bathing hh child	feeding hh child
		changing hh child's diapers	cutting hh child's hair
		helping hh child get dressed/brush teeth/bathe	preparing a shower for a hh child
		breastfeeding/nursing hh baby	soothing hh child/baby
		laying out clothes for hh child	tucking in hh child
		giving hh child a bottle	getting hh child up
		getting hh child ready to go somewhere	Helping hh child feed him/herself
		waking hh child	helping hh child use the bathroom
		getting hh child ready for bed	drawing a bath for a hh child
		putting hh child to bed	giving hh child a bath
		rocking/cuddling/holding hh child	getting hh child ready for school
		carrying hh child/baby	
	02 Reading to/with hh children		
		reading to or with hh child	helping hh child read
		listening to a hh child read	teaching hh child to read
	03 Playing with hh children, not sports		
		playing with hh child	horsing around with hh child

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		tickling hh child	dancing with hh child
		playing games w/hh child only	entertaining hh child
		giving hh child a piggyback ride	
		04 Arts and crafts with hh children	
		making holiday decorations w/hh child	organizing coin collection with hh child
		helping hh child make arts and crafts	building model planes with hh child
		05 Playing sports with hh children	
		riding bikes with hh child	playing basketball with hh child
		strolling with a hh child	teaching hh child how to play a sport
		teaching hh child to ride a bike	walking with a hh child
		06 Talking with/listening to hh children	
		talking with hh child	telling hh child to brush teeth
		fussing at/scolding/lecturing hh child	telling hh child to get ready for bed
		listening to hh child sing/recite	singing to hh child
		singing with hh child	hearing about hh child's day
		08 Organization & planning for hh children	
		planning parties/activities/events for hh child	helping with parties for hh child
		making costume for hh child	organizing activities for hh child
		packing/unpacking hh child's bag	signing hh child up for activities
		planning play dates for hh child	
		09 Looking after hh children (as a primary activity)	
		supervising/monitoring/keeping tabs on hh child	checking on hh child
		watching but not interacting with hh child	supervising hh child swimming
		sitting with hh child	accompanying hh child visiting Santa Claus
		accompanying hh child trick-or-treating	
		10 Attending hh children's events	
		watching hh child's sporting event or school play	attending hh child's recital
		11 Waiting for/with hh children	
		waiting to pick up hh child	waiting for hh child to get ready
		waiting for school bus with hh child	waiting for hh child to finish his/her activity
		12 Picking up/dropping off hh children	
		dropping off hh child at friend's house	dropping off hh child at babysitter's
		picking up hh child from day care/school/church	dropping off hh child at soccer practice

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		99 Caring for & helping hh children, n.e.c.*	
		adopting a child	
	02 Activities Related to HH Children's Education		
		01 Homework (hh children)	
		helping hh child with homework	signing hh child's homework log
		reviewing hh child's homework	checking hh child's homework for completion
		helping hh child with a school project	picking up hh child's books/assignments
		quizzing hh child before a test	
		02 Meetings and school conferences (hh children)	
		observing hh child's class	meeting with guidance counselor of hh child
		attending hh child's parent-teacher conference	meeting with principal of hh child
		attending hh child's back-to-school night	talking to/with hh child's tutor
		meeting w/school psychologist of hh child	meeting with hh child's tutor
		talking with teachers of hh child	attending hh child's school open house
		attending a PTA meeting	meeting w/school speech pathologist of hh child
		03 Home schooling of hh children	
		home schooling a hh child	
		04 Waiting associated with hh children's education	
		waiting to meet with hh child's teacher	
		99 Activities related to hh child's education, n.e.c.*	
03 Activities Related to HH Children's Health			
		01 Providing medical care to hh children	
		taking hh child's temperature	giving hh child medicine
		putting medicine on hh child's cuts	sitting with sick hh child
		giving hh child's insulin shot	putting medicine on hh child's burn
		bandaging hh child's scrapes	bandaging hh child's cuts/burns
		helping hh child w/physical therapy	
		02 Obtaining medical care for hh children	
		accompanying hh child to medical appt	talking with hh child's nurse
		talking with hh child's doctor	
		03 Waiting associated with hh children's health	
		waiting while doctor examines hh child	waiting with hh child at physician's office
		waiting with hh child at hospital	

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		99 Activities related to hh child's health, n.e.c.*	
		visiting hh child in hospital	
	04 Caring For Household Adults		
		01 Physical care for hh adults	
		bathing hh adult	putting hh adult to bed
		feeding hh adult	providing physical aid to hh adult
		dressing hh adult	helping hh adult dress
		getting hh adult ready to go somewhere	cutting hh adult's hair
		waking hh adult	
		02 Looking after hh adult (as a primary activity)	
		supervising hh adult	checking on hh adult
		monitoring hh adult	
		03 Providing medical care to hh adult	
		giving hh adult medicine	bandaging hh adult
		04 Obtaining medical and care services for hh adult	
		accompanying hh adult to medical appt.	meeting with adult care provider
		talking to hh adult's doctors/nurses	talking to/with adult daycare provider
		05 Waiting associated with caring for household adults	
		waiting while doctor examines hh adult	waiting with hh adult at hospital
		waiting with hh adult at physician's office	waiting to meet a hh adult's care provider
		99 Caring for household adults, n.e.c.*	
	05 Helping Household Adults		
		01 Helping hh adults	
		helping hh adult w/computer	shopping for hh adult (not self)
		helping hh adult w/taxes/bills	
		02 Organization & planning for hh adults	
		planning activities for hh adult	packing hh adult's bags
		organizing parties for hh adult	planning events for hh adult
		making things for hh adult	planning parties for hh adult
		03 Picking up/dropping off hh adult	
		dropping hh adult off at senior center	picking up hh adult from hh adult's event
		04 Waiting associated with helping hh adults	

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waiting to pick up hh adult

waiting for hh adult to get ready

99 Helping household adults, n.e.c.*

99 Caring For & Helping HH Members, n.e.c.*

99 Caring for & helping hh members, n.e.c.*

04 Caring For & Helping NonHH Members

01 Caring For & Helping NonHH Children

01 Physical care for nonhh children

dressing/bathing nonhh child

feeding nonhh child

changing nonhh child's diapers

cutting nonhh child's hair

laying out clothes for nonhh child

preparing a shower for nonhh child

giving nonhh child a bottle

soothing nonhh child/baby

getting nonhh child ready to go somewhere

tucking in nonhh child

waking nonhh child

helping nonhh child feed him/herself

putting nonhh child to bed

helping nonhh child use the bathroom

cuddling/rocking/holding nonhh child

drawing a bath for nonhh child

carrying nonhh child/baby

helping nonhh child get dressed/brush teeth/bathe

02 Reading to/with nonhh children

reading to or with nonhh children

helping nonhh child read

listening to a nonhh child read

teaching nonhh child to read

03 Playing with nonhh children, not sports

playing with nonhh child

horsing around w/nonhh child

tickling nonhh child

dancing with nonhh child

playing games w/nonhh child only

entertaining nonhh child

giving nonhh child a piggyback ride

04 Arts and crafts with nonhh children

making holiday decorations w/nonhh child

organizing coin collection with nonhh child

helping nonhh child make arts and crafts

building model planes with nonhh child

05 Playing sports with nonhh children

riding bikes with nonhh child

playing basketball with nonhh child

strolling with a nonhh child

teaching nonhh child how to play a sport

teaching nonhh child to ride a bike

walking with a nonhh child

06 Talking with/listening to nonhh children

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		talking with nonhh child fussing at/scolding/lecturing nonhh child listening to a nonhh child sing singing with nonhh child	telling nonhh child to brush teeth telling nonhh child to get ready for bed singing to nonhh child hearing about nonhh child's day
		08 Organization & planning for nonhh children	
		planning party/activities for nonhh child making costumes for nonhh child packing/unpacking nonhh child's bag planning play dates for nonhh child	helping w/party for nonhh child organizing activities for nonhh child signing nonhh child up for activities
		09 Looking after nonhh children (as primary activity)	
		supervising/monitoring/keeping tabs on nonhh child watching but not interacting w/nonhh child accompanying nonhh child trick-or-treating	checking on nonhh child supervising nonhh child swimming accompanying nonhh child visiting Santa Claus
		10 Attending nonhh children's events	
		watching nonhh child's sporting event or school play	attending nonhh child's recital
		11 Waiting for/with nonhh children	
		waiting to pick up nonhh child waiting for school bus with nonhh child	waiting for nonhh child to get ready waiting for nonhh child to finish his/her activity
		12 Dropping off/picking up nonhh children	
		dropping off nonhh child at friend's house picking up nonhh child from day care/school	dropping off nonhh child at babysitter's dropping off nonhh child at soccer practice
		99 Caring for and helping nonhh children, n.e.c.*	
		handing out Halloween candy	
02 Activities Related to Nonhh Children's Education			
		01 Homework (nonhh children)	
		helping a nonhh child w/homework reviewing nonhh child's homework helping nonhh child with sch. project quizzing nonhh child before a test	signing nonhh child's homework log checking nonhh child's homework picking up nonhh child's books/assignments
		02 Meetings and school conferences (nonhh children)	
		observing nonhh child's class observing nonhh child's class	meeting w/school speech pathologist of nonhh child meeting with guidance counselor of nonhh child

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		attending non-hh child's parent-teacher conference attending non-hh child's back-to-school night meeting w/school psychologist of nonhh child talking with teachers of nonhh child attending PTA meeting	meeting with principal of nonhh child talking to/with nonhh child's tutor meeting with nonhh child's tutor attending nonhh child's school open house
		03 Home schooling of nonhh children	
		home schooling a nonhh child	
		04 Waiting associated with nonhh children's education	
		waiting to meet with nonhh child's teacher	
		99 Activities related to nonhh child's educ., n.e.c.*	
03 Activities Related to Nonhh Children's Health			
		01 Providing medical care to nonhh children	
		taking a nonhh child's temperature	giving nonhh child medicine
		putting medicine on nonhh child's cuts	sitting with sick nonhh child
		giving nonhh child's insulin shot	putting medicine on nonhh child's burn
		bandaging nonhh child's scrapes/cuts	bandaging nonhh child's cuts/burns
		helping nonhh child w/phys. therapy	
		02 Obtaining medical care for nonhh children	
		accompanying nonhh child to medical appt	talking with nonhh child's nurse
		talking with nonhh child's doctor	
		03 Waiting associated with nonhh children's health	
		waiting while doctor examines nonhh child	waiting with nonhh child at hospital
		waiting with nonhh child at physician's office	
		99 Activities related to nonhh child's health, n.e.c.*	
		visiting a nonhh child in the hospital	
04 Caring For Nonhousehold Adults			
		01 Physical care for nonhh adults	
		bathing nonhh adult	putting nonhh adult to bed
		feeding nonhh adult	providing physical aid to nonhh adult
		dressing nonhh adult	helping nonhh adult dress
		getting nonhh adult ready to go somewhere	cutting nonhh adult's hair
		waking nonhh adult	
		02 Looking after nonhh adult (as a primary activity)	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		supervising nonhh adult monitoring nonhh adult	checking on nonhh adult
		03 Providing medical care to nonhh adult giving nonhh adult medicine	bandaging nonhh adult
		04 Obtaining medical and care services for nonhh adult accompanying nonhh adult to medical appt. talking to nonhh adult's doctors/nurses	meeting w/nonhh adult care provider talking to/with nonhh adult care provider
		05 Waiting associated with caring for nonhh adults waiting while doctor examines nonhh adult waiting with nonhh adult at physician's office	waiting with nonhh adult at hospital waiting to meet a nonhh adult care provider
		99 Caring for nonhh adults, n.e.c.*	
05 Helping Nonhousehold Adults			
		01 Housework, cooking, & shopping assistance for nonhh adults doing housework for nonhh adult doing laundry for nonhh adult (not self)	shopping for nonhh adult (not self) cooking/preparing food for nonhh adult
		02 House & lawn maintenance & repair assistance for nonhh adults mowing the lawn for nonhh adult fixing plumbing leak for nonhh adult disposing of trash for nonhh adult	mending fence for nonhh adult painting house for nonhh adult
		03 Animal & pet care assistance for nonhh adults feeding pets for nonhh adult bathing dog for nonhh adult	walking dog for nonhh adult
		04 Vehicle & appliance maintenance/repair assistance for nonhh adults changing tires for nonhh adult adjusting brakes for nonhh adult fixing appliances for nonhh adult	fixing computer for nonhh adult fixing car for nonhh adult maintaining sports equipment for nonhh adults
		05 Financial management assistance for nonhh adults helping nonhh adult w/computer applications	helping nonhh adult w/taxes/bills
		06 Household management & paperwork assistance for nonhh adults running errands for nonhh adult (not self) planning activities for nonhh adult organizing party for nonhh adult making things for nonhh adult	packing nonhh adult's bags planning events for nonhh adult planning party for nonhh adult doing paperwork for nonhh adult

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		07 Picking up/dropping off nonhh adult	
		dropping nonhh adult off at senior center	picking up nonhh adult from adult's event
		08 Waiting associated with helping nonhh adults	
		waiting to pick up nonhh adult	waiting for nonhh adult to get ready
		99 Helping nonhh adults, n.e.c.*	
	99 Caring For & Helping NonHH Members, n.e.c.*		
		99 Caring for & helping nonhh members, n.e.c.*	
05 Work & Work-Related Activities			
	01 Working		
		01 Work, main job	
		at work (main job)	putting in overtime at work (main job)
		working extra hours (main job)	talking to instructor (class for main job)
		on-the-job training (main job)	surfing the Internet (main job)
		reading and writing (main job)	doing research/homework (main job)
		computer use (main job)	registering for class (main job)
		telephone calls (main job)	attending typing training (main job)
		attending class (main job)	phone calls to/from supervisors (main job)
		registering for training (main job)	phone calls to/from customers (main job)
		attending conferences/convention (main job)	leading a blessing (main job)
		making reserv. on the Internet (main job)	phone calls to/from coworkers (main job)
		teaching/leading Bible study (main job)	phone calls to/from clients (main job)
		leading religious youth group (main job)	attending sales training (main job)
		reading the Bible/Torah/scriptures (main job)	teaching bat/bar mitzvah class (main job)
		teaching confirmation class (main job)	teaching religious class (main job)
		organizing/preparing materials (main job)	hearing confession (main job)
		designing/updating a website (main job)	marking assignments (main job)
		reading a book/other material (main job)	checking e-mail (main job)
		reviewing notes, briefs, or papers (main job)	calling leads for stories/information (main job)
		preparing lesson plans/grading papers (main job)	enrollment in training/classes (main job)
		writing memos/papers/letters (main job)	talking to other conference attendees (main job)
		checking voicemail messages (main job)	reading/sending e-mail (main job)
		02 Work, other job(s)	
		at work (other job)	hearing confession (other job)

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		extra hours at other job on-the-job training (other job) reading and writing (other job) computer use (other job) telephone calls (other job) attending class (other job) registering for training (other job) attending conferences/convention (other job) talking to instructor (class for other job) reading the Bible/Torah/scriptures (other job) teaching/leading Bible study (other job) leading religious youth group (other job) surfing the Internet (other job) organizing/preparing materials (other job) reading a book/other material (other job) reviewing notes, briefs, or papers (other job) preparing lesson plans/grading papers (other job) writing memos/papers/letters (other job) marking assignments (other job) designing/updating a website (other job)	phone calls to/from coworkers (other job) phone calls to/from clients (other job) attending typing training (other job) teaching confirmation class (other job) phone calls to/from supervisors (other job) phone calls to/from customers (other job) checking e-mail (other job) teaching bat/bar mitzvah class (other job) moonlighting leading a blessing (other job) attending sales training (other job) doing research/homework (other job) calling leads for stories/information (other job) teaching religious class (other job) enrollment in training/classes (other job) making reserv. on the Internet (other job) checking voicemail messages (other job) registering for class (other job) talking to other conference attendees (other job) reading/sending e-mail (other job)
		03 Security procedures related to work opening bags for security search (work) being searched at security checkpoint (work)	passing through metal detector (work)
		04 Waiting associated with working	
		99 Working, n.e.c.*	
02 Work-Related Activities		01 Socializing, relaxing, and leisure as part of job attending social event w/coworkers (part of job) talking w/co-workers at social event (part of job)	attending social event w/bosses (part of job) talking w/clients at social event (part of job)
		02 Eating and drinking as part of job eating/drinking w/clients (part of job) eating/drinking w/customers (part of job) eating/drinking w/coworkers (part of job)	eating/drinking w/bosses (part of job) having lunch/dinner w/clients (part of job)

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		03 Sports and exercise as part of job	
		playing golf w/clients (part of job)	attending sporting event w/boss (part of job)
		working out w/clients (part of job)	
		04 Security procedures as part of job	
		opening bags for security search (part of job)	passing through metal detector (part of job)
		being searched at security checkpoint (part of job)	
		05 Waiting associated with work-related activities	
		99 Work-related activities, n.e.c.*	
03 Other Income-generating Activities			
		01 Income-generating hobbies, crafts, and food	
		preparing food or drink for sale	making baskets for sale
		drawing, painting, or sketching for sale	doing woodworking for sale
		making pottery for sale	making tapestries/quilts for sale
		making furniture for sale	making dinners for sale
		02 Income-generating performances	
		playing in a band for pay	singing for pay
		acting in a play for pay	dancing for pay
		03 Income-generating services	
		babysitting for pay	shoveling snow for pay
		mowing lawns for pay	home improvements for pay
		doing household chores for pay	typing paper for pay
		04 Income-generating rental property activities	
		maintaining/renovating rental property	making repairs to rental property
		05 Waiting associated with other income-generating activities	
		99 Other income-generating activities, n.e.c.*	
		redeeming winning lottery ticket	listing/selling items online
		selling items at auction, yard sale	listing/selling items on e-bay
		selling items at flea market	collecting aluminum cans to sell for self
		selling own used textbooks for pay	selling items at a garage sale
04 Job Search and Interviewing			
		01 Job search activities	
		contacting employer	reading ads in paper/on Internet
		sending out resumes	checking vacancies

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		sending resumes to employers placing/answering ads researching details about a job asking about job openings researching an employer submitting applications meeting with headhunter/temp agency	writing/updating resume picking up job application making phone calls to prospective. employer asking former employers to provide references auditioning for acting role (non-volunteer) auditioning for band/symphony (non-volunteer) filling out job application
		03 Job interviewing	
		interviewing by phone or in person scheduling/canceling interview (for self)	preparing for interview
		04 Waiting associated with job search or interview	
		waiting to go in for an interview	
		05 Security procedures rel. to job search/interviewing	
		opening bags for security search (job search) being searched at security checkpoint (job search)	passing through metal detector (job search)
		99 Job search and Interviewing, n.e.c.*	
	99 Work and Work-Related Activities, n.e.c.*		
		99 Work and work-related activities, n.e.c.*	
06 Education			
	01 Taking Class		
		01 Taking class for degree, certification, or licensure	
		attending class (degree, certificate, or license)	talking to classmates (degree, certificate, or license)
		auditing a course (degree, certificate, or license)	listening to a lecture (degree, certificate, or license)
		taking a field trip (degree, certificate, or license)	attending a seminar (degree, certificate, or license)
		attending practicum/internships (degree, certificate, or license)	taking on-line course (degree, certificate, or license)
		taking exams (degree, certificate, or license)	talking to teacher (degree, certificate, or license)
		02 Taking class for personal interest	
		taking an art, craft, hobby, recreational course (personal int.)	taking driving lessons
		attending Lamaze class	taking a car maintenance/repair class (personal int.)
		taking a cooking class (personal int.)	dance class (personal int.)
		taking a financial planning class (personal int.)	taking a sewing class (personal int.)

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		taking a retirement planning seminar taking personal development classes (personal int.) taking music/voice lessons (personal int.) taking photography class (personal int.) taking academic class (personal int.) taking CPR, first aid (personal int.) prenatal/child care classes (personal int.) taking self-defense (personal int.)	taking a pottery class (personal int.) taking a wine appreciation class (personal int.) taking parenting class taking a massage class (personal int.) taking on-line course (personal interest) talking to teacher (class for personal int.) talking to classmates (class for personal int.) taking driver's education
		03 Waiting associated with taking classes	
		waiting for the teacher	
		04 Security procedures rel. to taking classes	
		opening bags for security search (taking classes) being searched at security checkpoint (taking classes)	passing through metal detector (taking classes)
		99 Taking class, n.e.c.*	
		attending class, reason unknown taking a CPA prep course having detention attending study hall having a free period	taking GRE prep course taking SAT prep course taking GMAT prep course taking LSAT prep course
	02 Extracurricular School Activities (Except Sports)		
		01 Extracurricular club activities	
		attending Key Club activities, including meetings attending language club activities attending math club activities participating in chess club activities, inc. meetings participating in academic club activities, inc meetings	attending National Honor Society activities attending pep club activities attending American Field Service activities, inc mtgs practicing for debate club competition attending science club activities
		02 Extracurricular music & performance activities	
		attending band practice attending choir practice as extracurricular school activity	attending play practice
		03 Extracurricular student government activities	
		attending student government meetings	preparing for student govt elections
		04 Waiting associated with extracurricular activities	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		waiting for band practice to start	waiting for an after-school meeting to start
		99 Education-related extracurricular activities, n.e.c.*	
	03 Research/Homework	01 Research/homework for class for degree, certification, or licensure	
		listening to language cd (degree, certificate, or licensure)	organizing notes (degree, certificate, or licensure)
		writing paper/essay (degree, certificate, or licensure)	reading (degree, certificate, or licensure)
		attending study group (degree, certificate, or licensure)	reading/sending e-mail (degree, certificate, or licensure)
		studying (degree, certificate, or licensure)	reading the Bible/scriptures (degree, certificate, or licensure)
		02 Research/homework for class for pers. interest	
		listening to language cd (class for personal int.)	organizing notes (class for personal int.)
		writing paper/essay (class for personal int.)	reading (class for personal int.)
		attending study group (class for personal int.)	reading/sending e-mail (class for personal int.)
		studying (class for personal int.)	
		03 Waiting associated with research/homework	
		waiting for study group	
		99 Research/homework n.e.c.*	
		studying for the SAT	studying for the CPA exam
		studying for the GRE	preparing for SAT
		studying for the LSAT	preparing for the GRE
		studying for the GMAT	preparing for the LSAT
	04 Registration/Administrative activities	01 Administrative activities: class for degree, certification, or licensure	
		enrolling in class (degree, certificate, or licensure)	getting ID for class (degree, certificate, or licensure)
		registering for class (degree, certificate, or licensure)	paying tuition/fees for class (degree)
		looking at course descriptions/listings (degree, certificate, or licensure)	getting parking pass for class (degree, certificate, or licensure)
		02 Administrative activities: class for personal interest	
		enrolling in class (personal interest)	paying tuition for class (personal interest)
		registering for class (personal interest)	getting parking pass for class (personal interest)
		getting ID for class (personal interest)	paying fees for class (personal interest)
		03 Waiting associated w/admin. activities (education)	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		waiting in line to register/get ID waiting to enroll in class	waiting in line to pay tuition/fees
		99 Administrative for education, n.e.c.* registering for LSAT registering for GMAT registering for CPA exam registering for MCAT	registering for test prep class registering for GRE registering for SAT
	99 Education, n.e.c.*		
		99 Education, n.e.c.* attending own graduation ceremony taking the GMAT taking the CPA exam taking the MCAT	taking the LSAT taking the GRE taking the SAT
07 Consumer Purchases			
	01 Shopping (Store, Telephone, Internet)		
		01 Grocery shopping buying/ordering/paying for groceries ordering groceries online	talking to the produce manager
		02 Purchasing gas buying gas/paying for gasoline pumping gas	talking to gas station attendant
		03 Purchasing food (not groceries) paying the pizza delivery person paying check for a meal/drink/snack buying fast food paying for fast food at drive-through	paying for meal at restaurant picking up take-out food placing order at a deli/fast food place talking to fast food cashier/talking to the waiter
		04 Shopping, except groceries, food and gas buying movie tickets browsing/shopping but not yet buying shopping at warehouse stores (Wal-Mart, Costco, Super shopping at mall ordering products	paying for purchases paying for movie tickets buying/ordering clothes buying books/CDs/other items looking at products

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		shopping at e-bay/flea markets/auctions	shopping at yard sales
		shopping for a new or used car	buying gardening supplies
		test-driving a vehicle	renting a tuxedo
		buying/paying for a new or used car	renting a rug shampooer
		checking out of hotel/motel/B&B	renting lawn equipment
		browsing/shopping at fundraisers	ordering concert tickets/ordering football tickets
		dropping off products for repairs	visiting a book fair
		buying everyday consumer goods	talking to the salesclerk
		buying a pet	returning videotapes to store/renting a movie
		buying appliances	picking up prescriptions/film
		renting products	looking through catalogs
		returning consumer goods	looking at products in catalogs
		renting a car/truck/van	buying postage stamps
		paying for a rental car/truck/van	window shopping
		buying airline tickets online	checking into hotel/motel/B&B
		05 Waiting associated with shopping	
		waiting in line to purchase groceries	waiting in line to pay for goods/buy gas
		99 Shopping, n.e.c.*	
02 Researching Purchases			
		01 Comparison shopping	
		researching items/prices/availability	browsing through circulars
		reading product reviews	comparing prices at different stores
		comparison shopping on the Internet	
		99 Researching purchases, n.e.c.*	
03 Security Procedures Rel. to Consumer Purchases			
		01 Security procedures rel. to consumer purchases	
		opening bags for security search (consumer purchases)	passing through metal detector (consumer purchases)
		being searched at security checkpoint (consumer purchases)	
		99 Security procedures rel. to consumer purchases, n.e.c.*	
99 Consumer Purchases, n.e.c.*			
		99 Consumer purchases, n.e.c.*	
08 Professional & Personal Care Services			
		01 Childcare Services	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		01 Using paid childcare services	
		hiring a nanny or babysitter	paying for lessons, instructions
		paying for daycare	paying for tutorial services
		checking out daycare facility	hiring a tutor
		paying for summer camp	paying for after school care program
		talking to/with the daycare provider	meeting with daycare providers
		talking to/with the camp counselor	talking to/with babysitter
		02 Waiting associated w/purchasing childcare svcs	
		waiting to meet a childcare provider	
		99 Using paid childcare services, n.e.c.*	
02 Financial Services and Banking			
		01 Banking	
		doing banking	finding out information about loans
		making a withdrawal, deposit, transfer	meeting with loan officer
		applying for a loan or mortgage	talking to/with the bank manager
		filling in loan applications	talking to/with a teller
		using the ATM	talking to/with a loan officer
		checking a bank account online	applying for a loan online
		02 Using other financial services	
		meeting with an accountant	meeting with claims adjuster
		meeting with stockbroker	talking to/with claims adjusters
		completing a credit card application	talking to/with an accountant
		meeting w/insurance agent	talking to/with stock broker
		talking to/with insurance agents	applying for a credit card online
		03 Waiting associated w/banking/financial services	
		waiting in line at the bank	
		99 Using financial services and banking, n.e.c.*	
03 Legal Services			
		01 Using legal services	
		paying a lawyer	talking to/with a mediator
		meeting with a lawyer/paralegal	talking to/with a paralegal/arbitrator
		talking to/with a lawyer	meeting with arbitrator/mediator
		02 Waiting associated with legal services	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
			waiting to meet a lawyer
		99 Using legal services, n.e.c.*	
04 Medical and Care Services			
		01 Using health and care services outside the home	
		having dental work done	talking to/with a pharmacist
		having an eye exam	having wisdom teeth removed
		having inpatient treatment	attending group therapy
		having outpatient treatment	having acupuncture
		having a doctor's appointment	talking to/with a doctor
		having a physical	talking to/with a nurse
		seeing a psychologist	talking to/with a healthcare practitioner
		receiving physical therapy	purchasing adult daycare
		seeing a chiropractor	paying for adult care services
		making a co-payment	paying for long-term care
		paying for healthcare services	purchasing elder care services
		talking to/with a physical therapist	purchasing hospice/respite care
		talking to/with a psychologist	checking out adult care facility
		paying the doctor	
		02 Using in-home health and care services	
		receiving in-home healthcare	hiring someone to look after hh adult
		03 Waiting associated with medical services	
		waiting at the physician's office	waiting for surgery
		waiting for lab test results	
		99 Using medical services, n.e.c.*	
05 Personal Care Services			
		01 Using personal care services	
		getting a haircut	talking to/with the hair stylist
		having nails done	talking to/with the manicurist
		having a facial	having a pedicure
		having a massage	getting hair done
		paying for a haircut	getting a tan at the tanning salon
		02 Waiting associated w/personal care services	
		waiting for the barber	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		99 Using personal care services, n.e.c.*	
06 Real Estate		01 Activities rel. to purchasing/selling real estate	
		looking at property	talking to/with a home buyer
		purchasing house, apartment, land	talking to/with a home seller
		reviewing house information	writing a contract on an apartment
		reading real estate ads	putting up "for sale" signs for house
		renting house, apartment, land	attending open house (real estate)
		writing a contract on a house/property	talking to home inspector
		renting storage space	meeting a real estate agent
		closing on house/condominium	signing a lease
		talking to/with a real estate agent	signing a housing contract
		02 Waiting associated w/purchasing/selling real estate	
		waiting for a real estate agent	
		99 Using real estate services, n.e.c.*	
07 Veterinary Services (excluding grooming)		01 Using veterinary services	
		purchasing medicine for a pet	talking to/with vet assistant/vet tech.
		paying for veterinary services	paying for pet health insurance
		talking to/with vet	
		02 Waiting associated with veterinary services	
		waiting for the vet	
		99 Using veterinary services, n.e.c.*	
08 Security Procedures Rel. to Professional/Personal Svcs.		01 Security procedures rel. to professional/personal svcs.	
		opening bags for security search (professional svcs)	passing through metal detector (professional svcs)
		being searched at security checkpoint (professional svcs)	
		99 Security procedures rel. to professional/personal svcs n.e.c.*	
99 Professional and Personal Services, n.e.c.*		99 Professional and personal services, n.e.c.*	
		sitting for photos at a portrait studio	having a family portrait made
		meeting with a wedding planner	

09 Household Services

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples

01 Household Services (not done by self)

01 Using interior cleaning services

hiring a cleaning service or maid
hiring a butler
paying a cleaning service

talking to/meeting with the maid/maid service
hiring carpet cleaners

02 Using meal preparation services

hiring a caterer
hiring wait staff/bartender for a party
hiring a personal chef
paying the caterer
paying the wait staff

meeting a caterer
tipping the wait staff or bartender
talking to/meeting with caterer
talking to/meeting with reception planner

03 Using clothing repair and cleaning services

dropping off clothes at the dry cleaners
having a garment altered
having shirts laundered
picking up clothing at the dry cleaners

having a suit tailored
having a dress hemmed
paying the drycleaner
paying the tailor

04 Waiting associated with using household services

waiting for the cleaning service
watching paid cook prepare a meal

waiting for meal preparation services

99 Using household services, n.e.c.*

02 Home Maint/Repair/Decor/Construction (not done by self)

01 Using home maint/repair/décor/construction svcs

hiring an electrician or plumber
hiring/meeting w/interior designer
hiring a prof. home remodeling svc.
hiring a contractor
hiring/meeting with an architect
paying to have your roof repaired
hiring someone to build an addition
hiring appliance repairer
hiring someone to fix your computer
paying a contractor
paying a plumber or electrician

hiring someone to clean house siding
hiring/meeting w/interior decorator
hiring someone to repair house siding
meeting with a contractor
talking to/with electrician or plumber
talking to/with the interior designer
talking to/with the contractor
talking to/with computer technician
hiring movers
talking to/meeting with movers
paying a decorator

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		hiring window washers hiring deck cleaners/refinishers	hiring driveway pavers
		02 Waiting associated w/ home main/repair/décor/constr	
		waiting for architect watching repair person waiting for cleaners to finish	waiting while repairs are made watching movers
		99 Using home maint/repair/décor/constr services, n.e.c.*	
03 Pet Services (not done by self, not vet)		01 Using pet services	
		attending animal obedience classes hiring a pet sitter/walker paying the pet sitter/walker talking to/with animal trainer talking to/with the groomer talking to/with the pet sitter	hiring a pet trainer meeting with pet trainer meeting with kennel caretakers talking to/with animal caretaker paying the pet groomer paying the animal trainer
		02 Waiting associated with pet services	
		waiting for pet services watching pet trainer	watching pet groomer
		99 Using pet services, n.e.c.*	
04 Lawn & Garden Services (not done by self)		01 Using lawn and garden services	
		hiring a landscaper hiring someone to water houseplants hiring someone to cut grass meeting with landscaper talking to/with a plant-sitter talking to/with the landscaper	talking to person who cuts your grass hiring someone to water lawn/flowers hiring someone to shovel snow hiring someone to rake leaves paying the landscaper
		02 Waiting associated with using lawn & garden services	
		waiting for landscaper	watching landscaper
		99 Using lawn and garden services, n.e.c.*	
05 Vehicle Maint. & Repair Services (not done by self)		01 Using vehicle maintenance or repair services	
		paying for a tune-up/oil change	talking to/with mechanic

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		paying for a car wash paying for repair work done on car talking to/with service person	talking to/with auto body repair person paying a mechanic
		02 Waiting associated with vehicle main. or repair svcs	
		waiting while car is repaired waiting while car is washed	watching car being washed
		99 Using vehicle maint. & repair svcs, n.e.c.*	
	99 Household Services, n.e.c.*		
		99 Using household services, n.e.c.*	
		talking to telephone repairperson	using butchering services
10 Government Services & Civic Obligations			
	01 Using Government Services		
		01 Using police and fire services	
		obtaining police or fire services being questioned by police being stopped for traffic violation	helping the police with something talking to police officer meeting with detective
		02 Using social services	
		applying for social services filling out forms to receive compensation applying for unemployment benefits applying for welfare, food stamps, etc collecting unemployment benefits	collecting social security/workers comp applying for relief services filling out forms to receive benefits talking to a social services worker meeting social worker
		03 Obtaining licenses & paying fines, fees, taxes	
		getting driver's license or tags getting car inspected obtaining boat licensing obtaining parking permits getting a passport taking a driving exam taking a pilot's exam getting a pet or sporting license	paying for a pet or sporting license paying for a marriage license paying overdue library book fines paying parking/speeding ticket getting fishing/crabbing license paying property taxes at gov't. office talking to a motor vehicle admin. clerk getting a marriage license
		99 Using government services, n.e.c.*	
	02 Civic Obligations & Participation		
		01 Civic obligations & participation	
		serving on jury duty	meeting w/congressperson

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		making a court appearance participating in naturalization ceremony meeting with a parole officer interviewing with INS, IRS, etc. voting participating in government surveys attending a Congressional session attending a town hall meeting	acting as a witness in court talking to a parole officer or judge talking to immigration/naturalization agent doing court-ordered community service meeting w/State/local govt rep. attending zoning hearings talking to a political representative
		99 Civic obligations & participation, n.e.c.*	
03	Waiting Associated w/Govt Svcs or Civic Obligations		
		01 Waiting associated with using government services	
		02 Waiting associated with civic obligations & participation	
		99 Waiting assoc. w/govt svcs or civic obligations, n.e.c.*	
04	Security Procedures Rel. to Govt Svcs/Civic Obligations		
		01 Security procedures rel. to govt svcs/civic obligations	
		opening bags for security search (govt svcs)	passing through metal detector (govt svcs)
		being searched at security checkpoint (govt svcs)	
		99 Security procedures rel. to govt svcs/civic obligations, n.e.c.*	
99	Government Services, n.e.c.*		
		99 Government services, n.e.c.*	
11	Eating and Drinking		
	01 Eating and Drinking		
		01 Eating and drinking	
		taking a lunch break	
		99 Eating and drinking, n.e.c.*	
	02 Waiting associated with eating & drinking		
		01 Waiting associated w/eating & drinking	
		waiting for the pizza delivery person	waiting for the check
		waiting for food to be delivered	waiting to place an order
		waiting for a table	
		99 Waiting associated with eating & drinking, n.e.c.*	
	99 Eating and Drinking, n.e.c.*		
		99 Eating and drinking, n.e.c.*	
12	Socializing, Relaxing, and Leisure		

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples

01 Socializing and Communicating

01 Socializing and communicating with others

entertaining family	hugging/kissing acquaintances/others
hanging out with family	greeting other parents
spending time with family	hugging/kissing neighbors
talking with family	giving gifts to friends
arguing with family	giving presents to adults
greeting family	opening birthday presents (with others)
hugging or kissing family	opening Christmas gifts (with others)
visiting with family	opening gifts (with others)
accompanying family while they run errands	opening wedding presents (with others)
entertaining friends	visiting household/nonhh adult in hospital
hanging out with friends	visiting adult in nursing home
spending time with friends	accompanying family/friends to look at family/friend's new house
talking with friends	talking with neighbors
arguing with friends	talking to/with other parents
greeting friends	talking with acquaintances
hugging/kissing friends	greeting neighbors/acquaintances
visiting with friends	accompanying friends while they run errands

99 Socializing and communicating, n.e.c.*

02 Attending or Hosting Social Events

01 Attending or hosting parties/receptions/ceremonies

attending graduation ceremonies (for adults)	attending birthday parties
attending a charity social event	attending bachelor/ette party
attending receptions	attending housewarming
attending parties	attending holiday open house

02 Attending meetings for personal interest (not volunteering)

attending a senior citizens meeting	attending a Boy Scout/Girl Scout meeting (for self)
attending an Al-anon meeting	attending professional meetings (not work)
attending a homeowner's association meeting	attending fraternity/sorority meetings
attending a fraternal lodge meeting	attending book club meetings
attending a church circle meeting	attending club meetings (not school)

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		attending a Weight Watchers meeting	attending AA meetings
		99 Attending/hosting social events, n.e.c.*	
03 Relaxing and Leisure			
		01 Relaxing, thinking	
		doing nothing/goofing off/wasting time	sunbathing
		hanging around/hanging out (alone)	grieving
		sitting in the hot tub/Jacuzzi/whirlpool/sauna	worrying/crying
		breaks at work, unspecified activity	watching husband assemble lawnmower
		watching wife garden/watching husband cook dinner	resting/relaxing/lounging
		lying around/sitting around	reflecting/daydreaming/fantasizing/wondering
		02 Tobacco and drug use	
		smoking a cigarette/cigar/pipe	smoking marijuana/pot/weed
		having a cigarette/rolling a cigarette	chewing tobacco/using recreational drugs
		03 Television and movies (not religious)	
		watching TV or a DVD/video/instructional video	watching home movies/home videos
		setting the VCR or DVD player	borrowing movies from or returning movies to the library
		watching videos on YouTube	watching TV/DVDs on computer (personal interest)
		setting TiVo/DVR	
		04 Television (religious)	
		watching religious broadcasting	
		05 Listening to the radio	
		listening to public radio/a radio talk show	listening to the top ten on the radio
		listening to music on the radio	
		06 Listening to/playing music (not radio)	
		listening to recorded music/records/CDs/DVDs/tapes	listening to someone play the piano
		playing musical instrument (leisure)	composing music
		singing/singing karaoke/Christmas caroling	tuning musical instruments
		07 Playing games	
		playing board games/Scrabble/cards	hitting a pinata
		playing computer games/playing games over the Internet	spinning dreidels
		hiding matzo (Passover)/hiding Easter eggs	working jigsaw puzzles/crossword puzzles
		08 Computer use for leisure (exc. Games)	
		computer use, unspecified	computer use, leisure (personal interest)

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		surfing the internet/web (personal interest)	browsing on the internet (personal interest)
		downloading files, music, pictures (personal interest)	participating in a chat room (personal interest)
		burning CDs (personal interest)	designing/updating website (personal interest)
		Using Twitter or tweeting (personal interest)	checking Facebook (personal interest)
		writing computer software (personal interest)	computer programming (personal interest)
		checking MySpace (personal interest)	
	09 Arts and crafts as a hobby	scrapbooking, making a scrapbook	making Halloween costumes (for self)
		making holiday/other decorations	dyeing Easter eggs
		videotaping/photography/model making/jewelry making	artistic painting
		making pottery/sculpting/wood working	making Christmas decorations
		taking pictures/snapshots/photographs	
	10 Collecting as a hobby	collecting/organizing stamps or coin collection	
	11 Hobbies, except arts & crafts and collecting	bird watching	researching family tree
	12 Reading for personal interest	reading a magazine/book/newspaper (personal interest)	checking out library books (personal int)
		flipping/leafing through magazine (personal interest)	being read to (personal interest)
		listening to books on tape (personal interest)	reading, unspecified
		borrowing books from the library (pers. interest)	returning library books/browsing at the library
		doing research (personal interest)	reading a book on a Kindle or other electronic book reader (personal interest)
	13 Writing for personal interest	writing in diary/journal (personal interest)	writing stories (personal interest)
		writing lyrics	editing (personal interest)
		blogging (personal interest)	
	99 Relaxing and leisure, n.e.c.*	looking at pictures in photo album	looking at photos on computer or camera
04 Arts and Entertainment (other than sports)	01 Attending performing arts	attending comedy club	attending plays
		attending opera	attending musicals

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		attending a concert	attending the theater
		attending the ballet	attending jazz bar
		attending dance troupe performances	
		02 Attending museums	
		attending an art gallery	attending an arboretum
		visiting the zoo	attending a botanical garden
		attending exhibitions	
		03 Attending movies/film	
		attending the movies	
		04 Attending gambling establishments	
		gambling	playing craps
		attending a casino	playing keno
		betting on the horses	
		05 Security procedures rel. to arts & entertainment	
		opening bags for security search (art/entertainment)	passing through metal detector (art/entertainment)
		being searched at security checkpoint (art/entertainment)	
		99 Arts and entertainment, n.e.c.*	
		attending an art/history/music lecture	setting off fireworks
		taking a guided nature walk	visiting historic sites
		attending a flower show	attending the county fair
		attending an amusement park	attending the circus
		attending a festival	attending a carnival
		attending a poetry reading	watching a parade/fireworks
		attending a book signing	attending an auto show
05 Waiting Associated with Socializing, Relaxing, and Leisure			
		01 Waiting assoc. w/socializing & communicating	
		02 Waiting assoc. w/attending/hosting social events	
		03 Waiting associated with relaxing/leisure	
		04 Waiting associated with arts & entertainment	
		99 Waiting associated with socializing, n.e.c.*	
99 Socializing, Relaxing, and Leisure, n.e.c.*			
		99 Socializing, relaxing, and leisure, n.e.c.*	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples

13 Sports, Exercise, and Recreation

01 Participating in Sports, Exercise, or Recreation

01 Doing aerobics

doing step aerobics	doing low-impact aerobics
doing high-impact aerobics	talking to aerobics instructor
Zumba	

02 Playing baseball

talking to baseball coach

03 Playing basketball

talking to basketball referee

04 Biking

registering for a bike race

05 Playing billiards

shooting pool	playing snooker
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06 Boating

sailing	yachting
kayaking	rafting
canoeing	crewing

07 Bowling

playing duck pins	playing ten pins
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08 Climbing, spelunking, caving

rock climbing	mountain climbing
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09 Dancing

10 Participating in equestrian sports

horseback riding	playing polo
steeple chase	

11 Fencing

12 Fishing

deep-sea fishing	clam-digging
fly fishing	talking to the boat captain
crabbing	
clam-digging	
talking to the boat captain	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		13 Playing football	
		playing touch football	talking to the football referee
		playing flag football	
		14 Golfing	
		playing the front 9	practicing putting
		playing the back 9	talking to the caddy
		hitting balls at the driving range	
		15 Doing gymnastics	
		tumbling	using uneven bars
		using the balance beam	using the pommel horse
		using parallel bars	talking to the gymnastics coach
		16 Hiking	
		17 Playing hockey	
		playing ice hockey	talking to the hockey coach
		playing field hockey	
		18 Hunting	
		hunting game	hunting ducks
		hunting deer/elk	talking to the hunting guide
		19 Participating in martial arts	
		doing karate	talking to martial arts instructor
		doing kickboxing	
		20 Playing racquet sports	
		playing tennis	playing badminton
		playing squash	talking to the tennis coach
		playing handball	playing lacrosse
		playing racquetball	
		21 Participating in rodeo competitions	
		calf roping	barrel riding
		22 Rollerblading	
		roller-skating	skateboarding
		23 Playing rugby	
		24 Running	
		jogging	talking to race officials

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		running a marathon	running cross country
		running a race/organized run	
	25 Skiing, ice skating, snowboarding	snow tubing	
	26 Playing soccer		
	27 Softball	playing wiffle ball	
	28 Using cardiovascular equipment	using the Stairmaster	riding stationary bicycle
		using the treadmill	spinning
		using the rowing machine	
	29 Vehicle touring/racing	stock car racing	4-wheeling
		drag racing	riding in a go-cart
		doing motocross	riding in or driving a dune buggy
		snowmobiling	
	30 Playing volleyball	playing Wally ball	
	31 Walking		
	32 Participating in water sports	swimming	river tubing
		playing water polo	surfing
		diving	body surfing
		waterskiing	boogie-boarding
		snorkeling	talking to the swimming coach
		scuba diving	water aerobics
	33 Weightlifting/strength training	lifting weights	bodybuilding
	34 Working out, unspecified	stretching	doing cardio (unspecified)
	35 Wrestling	freestyle wrestling	talking to the wrestling referee
		Greco-Roman wrestling	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		36 Doing yoga	
		Pilates	talking to the yoga instructor
		99 Playing sports n.e.c.*	
		bungee jumping	ping-pong
		cricket	table tennis
		tai chi	horseshoes
		paintball	croquet
		baton twirling	archery
		curling	skeet-shooting
		cheerleading	target practice
		footbag	throwing darts
		starting a campfire	shooting league
		digging a latrine	javelin
		collecting firewood for camp	pole vaulting
		playing in the snow	discus
		ballooning	playing Frisbee golf
		skydiving	throwing a Frisbee
		windsurfing	hang-gliding
		kite flying	
02 Attending Sporting/Recreational Events			
	01 Watching aerobics		
	02 Watching baseball		
	03 Watching basketball		
	04 Watching biking		
		watching a bicycle race	
	05 Watching billiards		
		watching pool players	watching snooker players
	06 Watching boating		
		watching sailing	watching yachting
		watching kayaking	watching rafting
		watching canoeing	watching crewing
	07 Watching bowling		

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		watching ten pins	watching duck pins
	08 Watching climbing, spelunking, caving		
	09 Watching dancing		
	10 Watching equestrian sports		
		watching horseback riding	watching polo game
		watching a steeple chase	
	11 Watching fencing		
	12 Watching fishing		
		watching deep-sea fishing	watching crabbing
		watching fly fishing	watching clam-digging
	13 Watching football		
		watching touch football	watching tag football
	14 Watching golfing		
		watching a golf tournament	
	15 Watching gymnastics		
		watching tumbling	watching parallel bar competition
		watching balance beam completion	
	16 Watching hockey		
		watching ice hockey	watching field hockey
	17 Watching martial arts		
		watching karate	watching kickboxing
	18 Watching racquet sports		
		watching tennis	watching racquetball
		watching squash	watching badminton
		watching handball	watching lacrosse
	19 Watching rodeo competitions		
	20 Watching rollerblading		
		watching roller-skating	watching skateboarding
	21 Watching rugby		
	22 Watching running		
		watching a marathon	watching cross country running
		watching a running race	watching an organized run
	23 Watching skiing, ice skating, snowboarding		

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		watching snow tubing	
	24 Watching soccer		
	25 Watching softball		
		watching wiffle ball	
	26 Watching vehicle touring/racing		
		watching a stock car race	watching snowmobiling
		watching a drag race	watching 4-wheeling
		watching a motocross race	
	27 Watching volleyball		
		watching Wally ball	
	28 Watching walking		
		watching a walking sporting event	
	29 Watching water sports		
		watching a swim/dive meet	watching water aerobics
		watching a water polo match	
	30 Watching weightlifting/strength training		
		watching weightlifting competition	
	31 Watching people working out, unspecified		
	32 Watching wrestling		
	99 Attending sporting events, n.e.c.*		
		watching discus	watching ping-pong
		watching hang-gliding	watching croquet game
		watching ballooning	watching archery
		watching skydiving	watching skeet-shooting
		watching windsurfing	watching dart playing
		watching bungee jumping	watching boxing
		watching baton twirling	watching javelin
		watching cheerleading	watching pole vaulting
03 Waiting Associated with Sports, Exercise, & Recreation			
	01 Waiting related to playing sports or exercising		
	02 Waiting related to attending sporting events		
	99 Waiting associated with sports, exercise, & recreation, n.e.c.*		
04 Security Procedures Rel. to Sports, Exercise, & Recreation			

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples

01 Security related to playing sports or exercising

opening bags for security search (playing sports) passing through metal detector (playing sports)
being searched at security checkpoint (playing sports)

02 Security related to attending sporting events

opening bags for security search (attending sports) passing through metal detector (attending sports)
being searched at security checkpoint (attending sports)

99 Security related to sports, exercise, & recreation, n.e.c.*

99 Sports, Exercise, & Recreation, n.e.c.*

99 Sports, exercise, & recreation, n.e.c.*

14 Religious and Spiritual Activities

01 Religious/Spiritual Practices

01 Attending religious services

attending church services/synagogue/temple/mosque leading blessings
attending funerals/attending wakes, memorial services attending/participating in weddings
attending/hearing confession attending church revival
attending a bar mitzvah/bat mitzvah/briss attending a blessing
attending a baptism/christening attending confirmation service

02 Participation in religious practices

reading the Bible/Koran/Torah/Talmud/scriptures lighting advent wreath
studying the Bible/Koran/scriptures praying alone
ushering for religious services saying prayers for a seder
singing in the church choir leading church choir, musical groups
visiting graves/putting flowers on graves playing the church organ
rehearsing/decorating for religious ceremonies participating in church musical performance
attending a wedding rehearsal opening advent calendar day
cleaning up after religious ceremonies conducting religious rites in the home
attending church choir practice meditating for religious purposes
attending a religious retreat preparing the sacrament/communion
praying with others lighting menorah candles (Hanukkah)
preparing food for a seder attending Passover seder
praying with hh child praying with nonhh child

03 Waiting associated w/religious & spiritual activities

Waiting associated w/ religious & spiritual activities

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples

04 Security procedures rel. to religious & spiritual activities

opening bags for security search (religious activities) passing through metal detector (religious activities)
being searched at security checkpoint (religious activities)

05 Religious education activities

attending confirmation class/attending Sunday school teaching Sunday school
attending Bible study preparing materials for Bible study
teaching/leading Bible study teaching bat/bar mitvah class
distributing religious literature attending pre-Cana class
reading (other: confirmation class) leading religious youth group
memorizing verses for confirmation class reading/studying scriptures for Sunday school

99 Religious and Spiritual Activities, n.e.c.*

99 Religious and spiritual activities, n.e.c.*

15 Volunteer Activities

01 Administrative & Support Activities

01 Computer use

writing/sending e-mail (volunteer) computer use, unspecified (volunteer)
checking e-mail (volunteer) surfing the internet (volunteer)
designing website for volunteer org. setting up computer (volunteer)
loading computer software (volunteer)

02 Organizing and preparing

preparing for a meeting (volunteer) filing (volunteer)
organizing volunteer materials preparing/organizing schedules (volunteer)
stuffing envelopes (volunteer) addressing envelopes (volunteer)
completing paperwork (volunteer) re-shelving library books (volunteer)
reviewing applications (volunteer)

03 Reading

reviewing notes, briefs, papers (volunteer) reading the Bible (volunteer)
reading books, journals, newspapers (volunteer) reading scriptures (volunteer)

04 Telephone calls (except hotline counseling)

making phone calls (volunteer) answering phones (volunteer)

05 Writing

editing newsletters (volunteer) writing letters/memos (volunteer)

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
06 Fundraising			
		collecting monetary donations (volunteer)	ringing a bell for the Salvation Army (volunteer)
		raising money for charitable causes (volunteer)	selling nonfood items at a concession stand (volunteer)
		raising money for political candidates (volunteer)	helping with a yard sale (volunteer)
		selling items at a yard sale (volunteer)	selling items at a bazaar (volunteer)
		soliciting pledges (volunteer)	selling raffle tickets (volunteer)
		selling tickets (volunteer)	setting up a silent auction (volunteer)
		planning a benefit (volunteer)	selling Girl Scout cookies (volunteer)
	99 Administrative & support activities, n.e.c.*		
		counted church offering (volunteer)	collecting signatures for a petition (volunteer)
02 Social Service & Care Activities (Except Medical)			
	01 Food preparation, presentation, clean-up		
		working in a soup kitchen (volunteer)	distributing groceries at food bank (volunteer)
		preparing food for a fundraiser (volunteer)	serving food at a homeless shelter (volunteer)
		delivering/serving meals to shut-ins (volunteer)	selling food or unknown items at a concession stand (volunteer)
		baking cookies for the PTA bake sale (volunteer)	donating food to a food bank (volunteer)
		serving food to racers (volunteer)	
	02 Collecting & delivering clothing & other goods		
		collecting clothing for disaster relief (volunteer)	donating clothing (volunteer)
		distributing blankets at a homeless shelter (volunteer)	sorting books (volunteer)
		donating books (volunteer)	sorting clothing (volunteer)
		assembling gift baskets (volunteer)	loading items into vehicle (volunteer)
		donating toys (volunteer)	unloading items from vehicle (volunteer)
		collecting toys (volunteer)	collecting school supplies (volunteer)
		collecting used electronics (volunteer)	
	03 Providing care		
		visiting shut-ins or the elderly (volunteer)	spending time with hospice patients (volunteer)
		reading to the blind (volunteer)	walking dogs at animal shelter (volunteer)
		acting as an interpreter (volunteer)	playing with children (volunteer)
		visiting with others (volunteer)	chaperoning (volunteer)
		supervising children (volunteer)	
	04 Teaching, leading, counseling, mentoring		

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
			being a Big Brother/Big Sister (volunteer) tutoring (volunteer) working a hotline for victim support svcs. (volunteer) coaching teams (volunteer) assisting in a classroom (volunteer) leading religious youth group (volunteer) teaching Sunday school (volunteer) teaching parenting classes (volunteer) doing vocational training (volunteer) leading a tour (volunteer) teaching a class (volunteer) leading story time at library (volunteer)
			counseling at a halfway house (volunteer) leading Boy Scout meeting (volunteer) teaching/leading Bible study (volunteer) teaching bat/bar mitzvah class (volunteer) teaching/leading religious class (volunteer) teaching confirmation class (volunteer) teaching religious class (volunteer) leading a blessing (volunteer) teaching a cooking class (volunteer) leading a choir (volunteer) leading musical groups (volunteer) providing a demo (volunteer)
		99 Social service & care activities, n.e.c.*	
		sewing items to donate (volunteer)	knitting (volunteer)
		making quilts for soldiers (volunteer)	making crafts (volunteer)
03 Indoor & Outdoor Maintenance, Building, & Clean-up Activities			
		01 Building houses, wildlife sites, & other structures	
		building houses for Habitat for Humanity (volunteer)	building playgrounds (volunteer)
		building a wildlife refuge area (volunteer)	
		02 Indoor & outdoor maintenance, repair, & clean-up	
		cleaning parks/streets (volunteer)	doing environmental clean-up (volunteer)
		picking up trash (volunteer)	repairing cars (volunteer)
		renovating a house (volunteer)	maintaining hiking trails (volunteer)
		repairing tools or equipment (volunteer)	planting trees (volunteer)
		gardening (volunteer)	watering trees (volunteer)
		weeding (volunteer)	clearing brush (volunteer)
		planting flowers (volunteer)	landscaping (volunteer)
		mowing the lawn (volunteer)	painting (volunteer)
		cleaning up yards, buildings (volunteer)	
		99 Indoor & outdoor maintenance, building & clean-up activities, n.e.c.*	
04 Participating in Performance & Cultural Activities			
		01 Performing	
		acting in a performance (volunteer)	emceeding a charity function (volunteer)

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples
		dancing in a performance (volunteer) performing music (volunteer)	auctioneering a benefit auction (volunteer) practicing for a performance (volunteer)
		02 Serving at volunteer events & cultural activities	
		manning an information booth (volunteer) ushering for a benefit performance (volunteer) manning a booth (volunteer) working a booth at a fair (volunteer) distributing event T-shirts (volunteer) cleaning up after an event (volunteer) setting up for a walk-a-thon (volunteer) designing a set for a performance (volunteer) constructing a float for a parade (volunteer) setting up music equipment (volunteer) driving a float in a parade (volunteer)	being a docent/museum guide (volunteer) ushering at a theatre performance (volunteer) running a carnival/festival booth (volunteer) distributing race packets (volunteer) supporting racers (volunteer) setting up for an event (volunteer) serving at a marathon (volunteer) designing a float for a parade (volunteer) testing sound system (volunteer) setting up lighting (volunteer) directing a child's school play (volunteer)
		99 Participating in performance & cultural activities, n.e.c.*	
05 Attending Meetings, Conferences, & Training		01 Attending meetings, conferences, & training	
		attending training (volunteer) attending meetings (volunteer) attending conferences (volunteer) attending seminars (volunteer)	serving on a board (volunteer) serving on a finance committee (volunteer) chairing a committee (volunteer)
		99 Attending meetings, conferences, & training, n.e.c.*	
06 Public Health & Safety Activities		01 Public health activities	
		donating blood (volunteer)	providing medical care (volunteer)
		02 Public safety activities	
		being on duty as firefighter (volunteer)	patrolling for neighborhood crime watch (volunteer)
		99 Public health & safety activities, n.e.c.*	
07 Waiting Associated with Volunteer Activities		01 Waiting associated with volunteer activities	
		99 Waiting associated with volunteer activities, n.e.c.*	
08 Security procedures related to volunteer activities		01 Security procedures related to volunteer activities	

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Major Categories	2nd-tier	3rd-tier	Examples

opening bags for security search (volunteer)	passing through metal detector (volunteer)
being searched at security checkpoint (volunteer)	

99 Security procedures related to volunteer activities, n.e.c.*

99 Volunteer Activities, n.e.c.*

99 Volunteer activities, n.e.c.*

shopping (volunteer)	picketing (volunteer)
ushering at church (volunteer)	handing out political flyers (volunteer)
monitoring water quality (volunteer)	handing out flyers (volunteer)
inventorying bird or other wildlife populations (volunteer)	greeting people at church (volunteer)
taping religious services (volunteer)	

16 Telephone Calls

01 Telephone Calls (to or from)

01 Telephone calls to/from family members

talking on phone to relatives	Skyping with my sister
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02 Telephone calls to/from friends, neighbors, or acquaintances

talking on phone to friends/neighbors/acquaintances	talking on phone to girlfriend
talking on phone to boyfriend	talking on phone to fiancée
texting with a friend	

03 Telephone calls to/from education services providers

talking on phone to a teacher	talking on phone to an instructor
talking on phone to a principal	talking on phone to a school nurse
talking on phone to a professor	talking on phone to a school cafeteria worker

04 Telephone calls to/from salespeople

talking on phone to a sales clerk	talking on phone to a cashier
talking on phone to a store manager	talking on phone to a salesperson
talking on phone to a customer service representative	talking on phone to a telemarketer
talking on phone to a store counter person	talking to credit card company

05 Telephone calls to/from professional or personal care svcs providers

talking on phone to a banker/insurance agent/loan offic	talking on phone to a barber/hairstylist/manicurist
talking on phone to a lawyer/mediator/paralegal	talking on phone to a pharmacist
talking on phone to a doctor/nurse/veterinarian	talking on phone to an accountant
talking on phone to a real estate agent	talking on phone to a massage therapist

06 Telephone calls to/from household services providers

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		talking on phone to a pet sitter/pet walker talking on phone to a cleaning service/caterer talking on phone to a plumber/electrician/contractor talking on phone to a landscaper/gardener talking on phone to a mechanic/auto body repair person	talking on phone to gas company representative talking on phone to an architect talking on phone to a decorator talking on phone to electric company representative
		07 Telephone calls to/from paid child or adult care providers	
		talking on phone to day care provider	talking on phone to a tutor
		talking on phone to a babysitter	
		08 Telephone calls to/from government officials	
		talking on phone to police or firefighters	talking on phone to a court employee
		talking on phone to a public librarian	talking on phone to a politician
		talking on phone to a U.S. postal employee	talking on phone to a congressperson
		talking on phone to a county council member	
		99 Telephone calls (to or from), n.e.c.*	
		talking on phone, no more info provided	
	02 Waiting Associated with Telephone Calls		
	01 Waiting associated with telephone calls		
		waiting to use a pay phone	waiting for a phone call
	99 Waiting associated with telephone calls, n.e.c.*		
99 Telephone Calls, n.e.c.*			
	99 Telephone calls, n.e.c.*		
18 Traveling			
	01 Travel Related to Personal Care		
	01 Travel related to personal care		
	99 Travel related to personal care, n.e.c.*		
	02 Travel Related to Household Activities		
	01 Travel related to housework		
	02 Travel related to food & drink prep., clean-up, & presentation		
	03 Travel related to interior maintenance, repair, & decoration		
	04 Travel related to exterior maintenance, repair, & decoration		
	05 Travel related to lawn, garden, and houseplant care		
	06 Travel related to care for animals and pets (not vet care)		
	07 Travel related to vehicle care & maintenance (by self)		
	08 Travel related to appliance, tool, and toy set-up, repair, & maintenance (by self)		

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		09 Travel related to household management	
		99 Travel related to household activities, n.e.c.*	
	03 Travel Related to Caring For & Helping HH Members		
		01 Travel related to caring for & helping hh children	
		02 Travel related to hh children's education	
		03 Travel related to hh children's health	
		04 Travel related to caring for hh adults	
		05 Travel related to helping hh adults	
		99 Travel rel. to caring for & helping hh members, n.e.c.*	
	04 Travel Related to Caring For & Helping Nonhh Members		
		01 Travel related to caring for and helping nonhh children	
		02 Travel related to nonhh children's education	
		03 Travel related to nonhh children's health	
		04 Travel related to caring for nonhh adults	
		05 Travel related to helping nonhh adults	
		99 Travel rel. to caring for & helping nonhh members, n.e.c.*	
	05 Travel Related to Work		
		01 Travel related to working	
		02 Travel related to work-related activities	
		03 Travel related to income-generating activities	
		04 Travel related to job search & interviewing	
		99 Travel related to work, n.e.c.*	
	06 Travel Related to Education		
		01 Travel related to taking class	
		02 Travel related to extracurricular activities (ex. Sports)	
		03 Travel related to research/homework	
		04 Travel related to registration/administrative activities	
		99 Travel related to education, n.e.c.*	
	07 Travel Related to Consumer Purchases		
		01 Travel related to grocery shopping	
		02 Travel related to purchasing gas	
		03 Travel related to purchasing food (not groceries)	
		04 Travel related to shopping, ex groceries, food, and gas	

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		99 Travel related to consumer purchases, n.e.c.*	
08	Travel Related to Using Professional and Personal Care Services		
		01 Travel related to using childcare services	
		02 Travel related to using financial services and banking	
		03 Travel related to using legal services	
		04 Travel related to using medical services	
		05 Travel related to using personal care services	
		06 Travel related to using real estate services	
		07 Travel related to using veterinary services	
		99 Travel rel. to using prof. & personal care services, n.e.c.*	
09	Travel Related to Using Household Services		
		01 Travel related to using household services	
		02 Travel related to using home main./repair/décor./construction svcs	
		03 Travel related to using pet services (not vet)	
		04 Travel related to using lawn and garden services	
		05 Travel related to using vehicle maintenance & repair services	
		99 Travel related to using household services, n.e.c.*	
10	Travel Related to Using Govt Services & Civic Obligations		
		01 Travel related to using government services	
		02 Travel related to civic obligations & participation	
		99 Travel rel. to govt svcs & civic obligations, n.e.c.*	
11	Travel Related to Eating and Drinking		
		01 Travel related to eating and drinking	
		99 Travel related to eating and drinking, n.e.c.*	
12	Travel Related to Socializing, Relaxing, and Leisure		
		01 Travel related to socializing and communicating	
		02 Travel related to attending or hosting social events	
		03 Travel related to relaxing and leisure	
		04 Travel related to arts and entertainment	
		05 Travel as a form of entertainment	
		driving, no purpose (pleasure driving)	driving around looking at Christmas lights
		sightseeing on a tour bus	
		99 Travel rel. to socializing, relaxing, & leisure, n.e.c.*	

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13 Travel Related to Sports, Exercise, & Recreation

01 Travel related to participating in sports/exercise/recreation

02 Travel related to attending sporting/recreational events

99 Travel related to sports, exercise, & recreation, n.e.c.*

14 Travel Related to Religious/Spiritual Activities

01 Travel related to religious/spiritual practices

99 Travel rel. to religious/spiritual activities, n.e.c.*

15 Travel Related to Volunteer Activities

01 Travel related to volunteering

99 Travel related to volunteer activities, n.e.c.*

16 Travel Related to Telephone Calls

01 Travel related to phone calls

99 Travel rel. to phone calls, n.e.c.*

17 Security Procedures Related to Traveling

01 Security procedures related to traveling

being searched at security checkpoint (traveling)

opening bags for security search (traveling)

passing through metal detector

99 Security procedures related to traveling, n.e.c.*

99 Traveling, n.e.c.*

99 Traveling, n.e.c.*

travel emergency

exchanging insurance info after accident

car accident

hailing help after accident/emergency

changing a flat tire

walking to get help after travel accident

driving, no purpose (DP changed mind)

riding in a tow truck after accident

travel accident

checking in for flight

picking up baggage (traveling)

checking bags (traveling)

taking shuttle to gate (in airport)

50 Data Codes

01 Unable to Code

01 Insufficient detail in verbatim

03 Missing travel or destination

04 Recorded simultaneous activities incorrectly

05 Respondent refused to provide information/"none of your business"

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- 06 Gap/can't remember
- 07 Unable to code activity at 1st tier
- 99 Data codes, n.e.c.*
- 99 Data codes, n.e.c.*

*Not elsewhere classified